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In re Patent Application of

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For: MODULATOR

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 29, 2008, the applicants elect species A. identified by the Examiner (Muscular) and the compound of claim 14 as a single disclosed species, all for purposes of initial examination. Examination of all of the claimed subject matter is requested.

Claims 1-17, 30-32 and 38 are believed to read on the elected species.

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